

WASHINGTON, D. C., SUNDAY, APRIL 27, 1913.

Society

Garden Parties All the Go

ALL Washington is heeding the call of soft spring air and balmy sunshine, and teas and receptions are being packed away in campbore with winter garments to be resuscitated next November. The garden party can now come into its own. And Washington is peculiarly fortunate in having extensive grounds about houses in which hostesses can entertain informally.

Much interest centers in the announcement that the President and Mrs. Wilson will give garden parties on the afternoons of May 9, May 16, and May 23. There is no lovelier spot in any American city than the grounds back of the White House, and the garden parties held there have always been a most picturesque spectacle, as well as delightful entertainments.

The first band concert on the Speedway Wednesday afternoon attracted many society people, who drove or motored through Potomac Park, among them being Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, and the Misses Wilson. And among the most observed were the Princess Kalaniana'ole, wife of the Delegate of Hawaii, who wore a striking costume of black brocade satin, embroidered in gold, a graceful gold-embroidered black coat, and a large black picture hat with black plumes. Her companion, Mrs. Bertram Ridenburgh, of Hawaii, who wore an orange-colored Mandarin's coat over her handsome gown, and a large black hat.

The beautiful drives through Rock Creek Park are also filled with carriages and automobiles these sunny afternoons. The bridge paths are not so crowded, as many Washingtonians are saving their horses for the annual horse show, which opens on Saturday in the exhibition grounds, Eighteenth and D Streets. The horse show, beginning tomorrow at Fort Myer, Va., will also attract a large and enthusiastic gallery.

Not since the last Cleveland administration have so many experiments been tried in altering established conditions in Washington society, and, consequently, many residents of the National Capital are watching with curious eyes to see the results. For they know how to avoid the many pitfalls which trip the feet of the unwary, whereas the newcomers, who strive to entertain according to their own ideas, are apt to make mistakes. And Tallyrand's celebrated remark, "it was worse than a crime—it was a blunder," explains why some hostesses have failed to become social leaders.

Mrs. Thomas Marshall, wife of the Vice President, started an innovation on Wednesday afternoon, by inviting Mrs. Bryan, wife of the Secretary of State; Mrs. Garrison, wife of the Secretary of War; Mrs. Burleson, wife of the Postmaster General; Mrs. Daniels, wife of the Secretary of the Navy; Mrs. Houston, wife of the Secretary of Agriculture; Mrs. Lane, wife of the Secretary of the Interior, and Mrs. Redfield, wife of the Secretary of Commerce, to receive with her. Mrs. Wilson, wife of the Secretary of Labor, is not in Washington.

Such an arrangement is unique in Washington society. Mrs. Marshall consulted Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, the wife of the President, before proposing the plan to the Cabinet women, and on receiving her approval, asked them to keep their "day at home" with her, to which they promptly consented.

Mrs. Marshall's idea was to give the calling public an opportunity to meet all the official hostesses in one drawing room, and thus save them from making a long round of calls. The reception was held in the gold room of the Shoreham Hotel, and although arrangements were perfected to save confusion, a huge crush was unavoidable. For while the drawing-room of each Cabinet hostess might have been comfortably crowded, the effect of bringing together practically all of the calling public into one given space, brought about a most unpleasant congestion of struggling humanity, each person striving to have a chat with the particular hostess she had called to see.

And handling the visiting cards was no mean problem in itself. Each woman called upon eight hostesses and felt obliged to leave cards for each one. And when it is taken into consideration that a woman leaves two cards for her husband, and if there are other members of her family, for them also, the number of white pasteboards left that afternoon becomes appalling. Imagine sorting 2,000 cards (and more than that number were actually left), and seeing that they reached the hostess for whom they were intended. Far from solving the complex problem of calling, the innovation really complicated matters to a greater extent, and it is not likely to be tried again.

The majority of Washington residents prefer to see the Cabinet women in their own homes and not en masse. They like to judge the individuality of their hostess by her surroundings.

When Mrs. Marshall's plan was first noised about, the question arose how the Cabinet women would return the calls. To do so en masse, or even in pairs, was obviously impossible, so a number of resident women suggested that



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Who recently purchased the Parker residence, is taking a prominent part in society life at the National Capital.

they have a card printed which would read: "The ladies of the Cabinet," and that it could then be left by a secretary. This point has not yet been solved, and Washington society is still awaiting enlightenment.

The President and his daughter, Miss Eleanor Wilson left Washington yesterday aboard the Sylph for a trip down the river. They will probably return late this evening or tomorrow morning.

Mr. and Mrs. George M. Harper, of Princeton, N. J., and their children, are visiting Mrs. Wilson and her daughter, Miss Wilson and Miss Jessie Wilson, at the White House. Miss Scott, who has been stopping at the White House, has returned to her home at Princeton.

Mrs. Woodrow Wilson and her house guests, Mr. and Mrs. George M. Harper, and Miss Bones occupied a box at the Potomac Theater last night to see "Tommy and the Girl."

Miss Margaret Wilson left Washington for New York where she will spend a few days.

Miss Jessie Wilson was the guest of honor at a dinner last night given by Mr. and Mrs. Henry White at their residence in Crescent Place.

The Brazilian Ambassador and Mme. da Gama were hosts at a dinner last night at the embassy in Sixteenth Street. The dinner was given in honor of the Secretary of State and Mrs. Bryan, but owing to the former's absence in the West he could not attend. But Mrs. Bryan was present. The other guests invited to meet her were the Secretary of War, Mr. and Mrs. Garrison, the Portuguese Minister, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Belmont, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Stotesbury, of Philadelphia; Mr. and Mrs. Franklin MacVough, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Townsend, Mrs. Henry F. Dimock, Mrs. John Rodgers, Mrs. Riddle, Capt. Thomas Rodgers, U. S. N., Mr. John Bassett Moore, and Mr. A. Volck, of New York.

Judge and Mrs. Gary, who were to have attended the dinner, were recalled to New York by illness.

The Postmaster General and Mrs. Burleson were the guests of honor at a dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. Henry H. Glasie, at the Chevy Chase Club last night. The other guests being Judge and Mrs. Robb, Senator Thornton, Miss Thornton, Dr. and Mrs. Ryan Devereux, their house guests, Mrs. and Miss O'Reilly, Representative Garland Dupre, and Mr. Thomas Russell.

Mrs. James Pinchot entertained at a brilliant reception last night at her residence in Rhode Island Avenue, in honor of the Secretary of the Interior and Mrs. Lane and the Secretary of Agriculture and Mrs. Houston. The handsome rooms were artistically decorated with flowers and palms, and an orchestra played throughout the evening. A buffet collation was served in the dining-room.

Mrs. James R. Garfield, Mrs. Charles Boughton Wood, Mrs. James Montgomery, and Miss Mary Morgan assisted Mrs. Pinchot in receiving her many distinguished guests, among whom were Miss Jessie Wilson and the Vice President and Mrs. Thomas Marshall. 700 guests included members of the Diplomatic Corps, the Supreme Court, and official and residential life.

Col. and Mrs. Edward Burr gave a dinner last night at the Chevy Chase Club, the guests later participating in the dance which is held every Saturday night at the clubhouse.

Capt. and Mrs. Marko Brooke entertained at a dinner last night at the Chevy Chase Club in honor of Miss Dorothy Shepard, of New York, who is the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fitch Shepard. The guests invited to meet them were Capt. and Mrs. Robert Ralston, Mr. and Mrs. George Gould Lincoln, Mr. Andrew Bradley, Miss Alice Shepard, Mr. Robert Krogstad, Lieut. Creswell Garlington, U. S. A.; Mr. and Mrs. J. William Henry, and Lieut. George Russell, U. S. A.

A company representing not only smart society of several cities, but distinguished achievement in every branch of our national life, filled St. John's Church at noon yesterday to witness the marriage of Miss Alys Meyer, youngest daughter of the former Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. George von L. Meyer, and Lieut. Christopher Raymond Perry Rodgers, U. S. N.

Both young people have been extremely popular in society of the past administration, during which time the bride-

graduated from the United States Naval Academy in the class of 1904.

Later in the afternoon the bride and bridegroom left the city on their wedding trip. Mrs. Rodgers wore a stylish traveling suit of taupe crepe de chine, trimmed with a cream embroidered batiste collar, and a small chic toque of Alice blue straw.

On their return to Washington they will occupy a cottage at Chevy Chase, which they have leased for the summer months.

Mrs. John Hays Hammond gave a delightful reception yesterday afternoon at her always hospitable home in Massachusetts Avenue to introduce Miss Ruth Townsend to Washington society. Miss Townsend, the only "bud" of the spring season, is the charming young daughter of Representative and Mrs. Edward W. Townsend, of Montclair, N. J. Representative Townsend is known to the reading world as the author of "Chimie Fadden," which has run through many editions.

Mrs. Hammond's house was abloom with lilacs, dogwood, and other spring flowers, and a section of the Marine Band played during the reception.

About two hundred members of the ultra-fashionable set of the National Capital were present to give a warm welcome to Miss Townsend, and Mrs. Hammond was assisted in receiving her guests by Miss Katherine Jennings, Miss Sophy Johnston, Miss Lucy Hoke Smith, Miss Sallie Williams, Miss Frances Hoar, Miss Ethel Noyes, Miss Elizabeth Reid Rodgers, Miss Marie Hoyle, and Miss Dorothy Dunbar, of Montclair, N. J., who is visiting Representative and Mrs. Townsend.

Mrs. Edward W. Townsend and Mrs. George Huntington Williams presided at the handsomely appointed tea table in the dining-room.

Many dinners were given at the Chevy Chase Club last night, the guests later enjoying the dance which followed. Among those who entertained were Representative and Mrs. Culp, Mr. and Mrs. Wade Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fitch Shepard, Mr. and Mrs. I. T. Mann, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hagner, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Willert, Mr. and Mrs. William Reburn, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Willis, Mr. and Mrs. McChord, Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Wells, Mrs. Frank Pleadwell, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Noyes, Capt. and Mrs. James Archibald, Mr. Meredith, Mr. and Mrs. Hoover, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. George Choate Kendall, Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler, Capt. Sterling, and Mr. William F. Fisher.

Lieut. Col. and Mrs. Harry Taylor gave a dinner last night in honor of Capt. and Mrs. Thomas Robbins at the Chevy Chase Club.

Mrs. William Jennings Bryan has given up her apartment at the Willard, and has moved out to "Calumet Place," which she and Secretary Bryan have leased from Mrs. John A. Logan.

Mrs. Josephus Daniels was the guest for whom Mrs. William Kearney Carr entertained at luncheon yesterday. Carr's other guests were Mrs. Julian Russell, Mrs. Burleson, Mrs. Noyes, Spaulding, Mrs. William Corcoran Hill, Miss Cullen, Mrs. J. William Henry, Miss Sedgely, Mrs. Blair, Mrs. Andrews, and Mrs. Aleshire.

Washington society is taking a keen interest in the forthcoming production of the clever play, "His Hour," written by Mrs. Albert Burleson, wife of the Postmaster General, and a sparkling monologue, written by the same delightful authoress, is to take place at the Playhouse, Friday night, May 2. The entertainment will be given in aid of the National Library for the Blind, a cause which should appeal to all for the splendid good which it does for suffering humanity.

Mrs. Wilson will occupy a box, with a party from the White House.

Mrs. Fletcher, president of the Congressional Club, has taken a box and the patronesses are Mrs. Marshall, Mrs. Bryan, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Garrison, Mrs. Redfield, Mrs. Lane, Mrs. Secretary of the Interior, Mrs. Underwood, Mrs. Lamar, Mrs. Linton, Mrs. Hughes, Mrs. Swanson, Mrs. Crane, Mrs. Logan, Mrs. Hayes, Mrs. Van Deventer.

Miss Margaret Wilson paid a visit to the headquarters of the Southern Industrial Educational Association yesterday afternoon, and held a long and interesting conference with Mrs. Gilet, on educational and social center work and expressed herself as most delighted with the beautiful exhibition of the work of the mountaineers at the headquarters. The monthly board meeting of the Southern Industrial Educational Association met last night at the headquarters.

A small but exceedingly smart little dinner dance was given last Friday night by the Counselor of the German Embassy and Mme. Haniel von Haimhausen, who entertained for the Secretary of the Embassy and Mme. Klenin. It gave the guests an opportunity to bid Mme. Klenin "goodspeed" on her trip to Germany, where she goes to spend the summer.

The old-fashioned garden back of the home of Mr. and Mrs. Haniel von Haimhausen was thrown open and lighted, and, with all the lilacs and other early flowering plants in bloom, added much to the beauty of the occasion.

Among their guests were Mr. and Mrs. Klenin, Miss Helen Taft, Miss Gladys Hinkley, Miss Dorothy Williams, Miss Frances Lippitt, Miss Sutcliff, the Misses May, Miss Elizabeth Noyes, Miss Munn, Miss Perin, Baron von Lersner, Count d'Adhemar, Henry May, Jr., Capt. Louis Little, Lieut. Sterling, William Bous, Charles, Charles, Richard, Mr. McCulley, Maj. Winship, and John Cotton Smith.

Commander and Mrs. Lloyd H. Chandler have issued cards for a reception in honor of Mrs. Josephus Daniels, 4 to 7 o'clock, Tuesday, April 23.

The interesting programme arranged for the Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Daniels at Annapolis has been interrupted by the absence of the Secretary, who is in North Carolina.

Mr. Justice Brown, retired, has sent out invitations for an informal luncheon Wednesday at the Clubman.

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nesday, April 24, at 1 o'clock, at his residence, 1730 Sixteenth Street, in honor of the members of the Washington National Monument Society.

Mrs. Dearborn and Miss Dearborn, of Concord, N. H., who have spent several weeks in Washington at the Hamilton, left yesterday for Atlantic City, where they will visit a while before going to their home. They attended the meetings of the D. A. R. and the Federation of Women's Clubs, in both of which organizations Mrs. Dearborn is prominent. They were entertained a number of times while in the capital.

Mrs. James W. Fuller, sr., of Catawauque, Pa., announces the engagement of her daughter, Mary Louise, and Mr. Hiram Dyer, of the United States Geological Survey.

A musical tea was given by the Junior League of the Government at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Reeside, 3128 Bancroft Place, yesterday afternoon, from 3 until 6. Homemade cakes and candy were sold. The patronesses were Mrs. Charles Wood, Mrs. W. B. Bryan, Mrs. Frank G. Carpenter, Mrs. Frank P. Reeside, Mrs. David S. Hendrick, Mrs. John T. French, Mrs. Charles D. Hilles, Mrs. Joseph N. Rose, Mrs. Lloyd B. Wright, Mrs. Sanford N. Whitwell, Miss Florence Grandin, and Miss Barbara Kauffman.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolphus Wilkerson Wells announce the engagement of their daughter, Kate Serene, to Mr. Omar Bailey Buchanan. The wedding will take place in June.

Mr. Osborne has been appointed third British secretary to the Legation of A. Kerr Clarke Kerr, who is going abroad.

Mrs. Andrew C. Shannon left yesterday for a trip to the Pacific Coast. She was accompanied by her brother, A. L. Michener, and Mrs. Michener and her uncle, Frank M. Cleaver.

The Russian Ambassador and Mme. Bakhmeteff and the members of the embassy staff went to Baltimore yesterday to take part in the religious observance at the Greek Church, which celebrates Easter today.

Dr. and Mrs. Barrett and Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Bennett, of Sheboygan, who have been the guests of Lord Commissioner and Mrs. Fred Bennett, of this city, returned to their Wisconsin home Friday.

Mrs. Garrison, wife of the Secretary of War, entertained at tea Friday about twenty-five ladies of the army resident circle.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick E. Boothby, of Portland, Me., are at the Grafton for a few days, and were entertained Friday night by Mrs. Haywood.

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at the Army and Navy Club of Capt. and Mrs. Hall, and last night were the guests at dinner of Mr. and Mrs. J. Eakin Gadsby, in Georgetown.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel G. Parker, who have been occupying apartments in the Toronto, have returned to their Maryland home, where they will pass the summer. Mr. Parker is private secretary to the Secretary of War.

The following are patronesses for the benefit concert to be given at the residence of Hon. John Hays Hammond Thursday, May 1, at 3:30 o'clock for the benefit of the Confederate Memorial Home:

Mrs. Richard Townsend, Mrs. Thomas Nelson Page, Mrs. Thomas F. Walsh, Mrs. Arthur Lee, Mrs. Davenport, Mrs. C. H. Davis, Mrs. Richard Ely, Mrs. Wilder, Mrs. Fremont-Smith, Mrs. William Corcoran Hill, Mrs. Gillespie, Mrs. Eakin Gadsby.

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